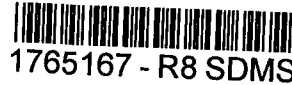


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February 10, 2004

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Dear Mr. Dodson:

Thank you for taking the time to meet with us last week regarding the Rico mine site. As offered during the meeting, we have prepared a summary of the Voluntary Cleanup Plan Proposal, which is attached to this letter. It summarizes the Voluntary Cleanup approach that we are currently pursuing with the State of Colorado and the other co-applicants—the Town of Rico, Rico Renaissance, and Rico Properties.

We look forward to further discussing the Voluntary Cleanup approach with the State of Colorado and EPA. If you have any questions regarding this proposal, please call me at (406) 782-9964 ext. 414.

Sincerely,

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Northwest Region Manager

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## **Rico Residential Area**

### **Voluntary Cleanup Plan Proposal**

### **SUMMARY**

#### **Applicants**

- Atlantic Richfield Company
- Town of Rico (requested)
- Rico Renaissance
- Rico Properties

#### **Phase I**

1. **Sampling of residential town properties**
  - All occupied properties and a representative number of unoccupied and future residential properties for which access is received will be sampled according to a Sampling and Analysis Plan
2. **Assessment of Human Health Risk**
  - A risk assessment will be conducted using the data collected from the sampling effort. The risk assessment will result in the development of a risk based action level in cooperation with CDPHE.
3. **Van Winkle Area Cleanup**
  - The area will be sampled, graded, and capped. Runon/runoff controls will be installed as necessary.
4. **Yard Cleanup for Potential Immediate Health Risk Properties**
  - Properties with soil lead concentrations that may present an immediate health risk will be determined in coordination with CDPHE, and those residential yards will be addressed during the 2004 work season

In addition to the above identified tasks, the following activities are also anticipated to be conducted during Phase I:

- **Community Involvement** -- With the support of Town government, public meetings will be held during both Phase I and Phase II activities to inform and seek public input on the sampling work, the Van Winkle Cleanup, and the yard cleanups.
- **Soil Repository** -- The applicants will work to develop a consolidation area for soils excavated during Voluntary Cleanup work efforts and future development.

## **Phase II**

### **1. Phase II Work Plan**

- Based upon the action level determined during the risk assessment in consultation with CDPHE, additional yards may be identified and property specific plans to conduct the appropriate clean-up work will be developed.

### **2. Additional Yard Cleanup**

- The properties identified in the Phase II Work Plan will be addressed during the 2005 work season .

## **Schedule**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Date</b>
Submit Voluntary Cleanup Plan (VCUP) Application	February 2004
Receive VCUP Approval	April 2004
Public Meeting	April 2004
Obtain Access Agreements	April-May 2004
Sampling of Town Properties	May-July 2004
Phase I Work Plan and Preliminary Data Report	August 2004
Van Winkle Mine Site Cleanup	August-October 2004
Yard Cleanup for Potential Immediate Health Risk Properties	August-October 2004
Phase I Risk Assessment and Final Data Report	November 2004
Phase II Work Plan	February 2005
Public Meeting	April 2005
Phase II Yard Cleanup	May-October 2005
Completion Report / "No Further Action Determination"	November 2005

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## Montana Facilities

### Facsimile Cover Sheet

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